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MORE THAN 100 LOCAL PEOPLE ENTER CONTEST

Thousands and Thousands Throughout County Now Awaiting the Outcome

FEW ENTER TOO LATE

Special Delivery Boys in Winston-Salem Make \$90 in One Day Delivering Contest Letters

Thousands and thousands of souls are now awaiting the outcome of the Camel cigarette contest arranged by they sent their letters with special And a few of the number awaiting the outcome are right here in Martin county. If the awards were to come to contestants in Martin, they would constitute the biggest inflow of money outside of the bonus loans since Rover was a pup. Well, there isn't but one thing about the whole thing, the disappointed will have plenty and plenty of company.

Postmasters in several of our county towns estimate that more than 200 Martin people submitted answers to the two questions propounded by the tobacco company. More than 100 of the letters were mailed at this office. So anxious were six of the local contestants to get their answers off that they sent their letters with a special delivery stamp affixed. There is a little chance that many of those writing answers will have for winning a prize, but it is understood that three or four don't stand a Chinaman's chance for they failed to get their letters postmarked before midnight Wednesday, the last day for entering the replies. The letters were mailed before midnight, but the postmark is automatically advanced immediately after the last mail of the day is dispatched at 5:20 p. m.

It was learned at the local postoffice that approximately three-fourths of the more than 100 replies mailed were sent in by our rural subscribers. Reports from all parts of the county indicate that the contest manager will know all there is to be learned about Camels by the time he finishes reading the answers which will probably keep him busy for years. The prize-winners, it was stated, will be announced as soon as possible, so if you don't hear from your entry within the next several weeks it'll probably be because the contest editor and judges will not have had time to open all the letters.

A dispatch sent out from Winston-Salem yesterday, reads: Four special delivery messenger boys in the local post office who usually make an average of between four and five dollars per day, feel that they are on the road to temporary riches.

Reason: A sudden jump in the receipt of special delivery letters from an average of 300 to nearly 4,000 per day occasioned by last minute entries in the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company's \$50,000 prize contest. Elmer A. Tucker, superintendent of mails in the Winston-Salem post office, disclosed today that the local office's four special messengers today divided \$361, or slightly more than \$90 apiece, for delivering today's batch, 3,862 of which were contest letters. Boys receive nine cents for each letter delivered.

Antique Machinery Is Seen On Local Streets Yesterday

The first automobile and the very first in reapers were seen here yesterday when a modern truck, bearing the two odd-looking machines, passed through the streets of the town. Judging from the looks of the reaper it was correctly marked, "the world's first reaper." The other machine was one of the old-type automobiles and was similar to a double-seated buggy. The machine was very much like the one driven into town by Paul Simpson more than 25 years ago. Invented by Harold F. McCormick, the antique reaper is being used for advertising purpose at machinery demonstrations held in town and cities throughout the country.

Planters Warehouse Orders 6 Per Cent Dividend Paid

The second annual stock holders meeting of the Martin County Warehouse Company, was held at the courthouse here yesterday with twenty three stock holders present, representing either by proxy or person over 300 of the 450 shares of stock. A six per cent dividend was ordered paid on all stock of the warehouse company.

The rental of the warehouse and the other affairs of the company were referred to the executive committee of directors composed of Messrs. J. L. Coltrin, J. L. Hardison, C. A. Harrison, Jim King, Henry Robertson, J. G. Stator, C. O. Moore, Claud Collins, Jim Bowen and Bill Manning. The directors re-elected the old of-

JAMESVILLE BOY AMONG WINNERS



WINNING CONTESTANTS IN VOCATIONAL CORN & GROWING CONTEST IN EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA.

Left to right: Arthur Marlow, Tabor High School, Columbus county; S. P. Honeycutt, Benson High School, Johnston County; Earl Tetterton, Jamesville High School, Martin County; Bruce Raynor, Piney Grove High School, Sampson County. Kneeling: Ed M. Inman, Evergreen High School, Columbus County.

Members of Old Tobacco Coop. to Get Checks Soon

Several Thousand Dollars Will Come To Farmers In Martin County

All tobacco farmers who made deliveries to the cooperative association several years ago will receive about March 20 checks for balance due them in final settlement. After several years of litigation and receivership, the affairs of the old association are about completed, and farmers will be receiving their checks within the next two weeks. It is understood that the checks will be mailed from Richmond. The average percent paid could not be learned today as some of the grades netted a greater profit than others. It is believed that several thousand dollars in cash will be released in Martin county by the old association.

Farmers here had about given up hopes for a settlement, and it was with high spirits that they learn of the last payment. Many of our farmers borrowed on their certificates, and in those cases the checks to be issued will apply on the loans, it is understood.

GEO. A. BAKER DIES TUESDAY

Had Been in Feeble Health For Several Years; Funeral Wednesday

Mr. George Abram Baker died at his home in Robersonville last Tuesday morning following an attack of pneumonia. Mr. Baker had been in feeble health for several years, but was able to continue his daily tasks until recently when he suffered an attack of influenza. He was a patient sufferer.

The son of the late Abram Baker and wife, Melvina, Mr. Baker was born in Pitt county, November 8, 1869. He moved to Martin county many years ago and for some time he had made his home in Robersonville.

Mrs. Baker with three sons, Messrs. Darrell, Heber and William Baker, and one daughter, Mrs. C. D. Carraway, survives. He also leaves four sisters and two brothers, among them being Mrs. Walter Anderson, of this town.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. B. Mashburn, pastor of the Robersonville Christian Church, at the home Wednesday afternoon. Interment was made in the cemetery there.

Shortage of Application Blanks Delays Vet Loans

The advancement of loans to World War veterans here was temporarily checked last Wednesday when the supply of application blanks ran short. The rush for loans at this point, however, is believed to have been spent before the supply was exhausted. Additional calls have been made since Wednesday but the demand for blanks is gradually decreasing. Postmaster Jesse T. Price has ordered additional blanks, and they are expected here shortly. A shortage has been reported in the national supply, however, and a delay of several days might result.

In New Home Mayor and Mrs. Robt. L. Coburn are now at home in the Hight house in New Town.

HOW VETS GET RICH

Here's what a veteran has to do to borrow half the face value of his adjusted compensation certificate.

If he has obtained a loan he may present in person or mail to one of the 54 regional offices the record of it and the application for more.

Those who have not received loans must mail to the office or present a certified note to that effect along with discharge papers and the certificate. Notes can be obtained from the regional offices and veterans organizations.

From there on the loan is in the hands of the veterans bureau, which heretofore has issued loans within ten days or receiving applications and hopes to continue issuing at about the same rate.

Regional offices are in: Atlanta, Birmingham, Charlotte, N. C., Columbia, S. C., Little Rock, Nashville, New Orleans and Richmond.

Judge Bailey Hears Two Cases In County Court

The county recorder's court held its shortest session in many weeks here last Tuesday when Judge Jos. W. Bailey heard only two cases.

Jesse Bland, pleading guilty in the case charging him with being drunk and disorderly, was sentenced to jail for a period of thirty days.

Charged with larceny, David Council entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to jail for three months, to be worked at the county home.

Dick Cherry To Try Out With Orioles This Year

Dick Cherry, Everetts boy, left yesterday for Gulfport, Miss. where he goes in training with the Baltimore baseball team for the coming season. Young Cherry was with the Durham team in the Piedmont League last year. He was recognized as one of the best pitchers in the league and was the only one to receive a promotion. His sale price is not known here.

Poultry Club Boys Visit Hatchery In Bertie County

Friday afternoon, Milton Raynor, William Thompson, Lester Williams and James Mallory representing the boys 4-H Poultry club of Everetts, accompanied by Miss Sleeper, Home Agent visited the demonstration poultry farms of Miller and Finch and Mr. T. C. Cale of Bertie County and Gilliam's Hatchery.

Even though the farms visited are following plans sent out from State College the buildings showed a marked difference and the types of feeders used though simple in construction were of varying design yet easy for the home poultryman to construct.

At the hatchery the boys were privileged to see the electric incubator of over 3000 capacity in work. The brooder houses were visited and equipment of newer type seen. Mr. Gilliam owns a very few Jersey Black Giants, an all black chicken good for meat. These were of interest to the boys, since only recently the boys through the club have been studying the breeds of poultry noted for egg production and for meat.

POWER RATES TO BE LOWERED BY V. E. P. COMPANY

Saving Will Amount to 12 Per Cent for Small Consumers

According to an announcement made in Richmond Monday, residential and commercial consumers of electricity served by the Virginia Electric and Power Company, which owns the franchise in Plymouth, will receive a flat reduction of one cent per kilowatt hour off the first 100 kilowatt hours used per month on and after April 1st. Besides serving a large number of towns in this section, including Williamston, Plymouth and Columbia, the Virginia Electric and Power Company furnishes the current used in Richmond, Petersburg, Norfolk, and other large cities.

Small light and power users will be the principal beneficiaries under the terms of the proposed reduction, it is believed, the decrease amounting to 12 per cent of amounts under \$8.50 here. As the amount of energy consumed grows larger, the percentage of reduction grows smaller.

Mr. Jack G. Holtzclaw, president of the company, stated that more than 90,000 consumers would be saved a total of \$450,000 a year by virtue of the change. The Virginia State Corporation Commission already has approved informally the revised schedule in conferences during the last several weeks and Lester Booker, one of the commissioners, said tonight that final approval would be given in a letter from the commission to the company. Under the law no formal order of the commission is required for a rate reduction to be adopted by utility companies.

DRAW JURY LIST FOR APRIL TERM

Efforts Being Made To Do Away With Term, But List Drawn, Anyway

The county commissioners in session here last Monday selected a jury that they hope will not be needed. Efforts are being made to have the April term of superior court suspended, but pending the outcome of their efforts, the commissioners decided it best to select a jury, anyway.

The list of men selected: First Week Jamesville township—Geo. L. Cooper, R. B. Holliday. Williams township—J. F. Savage, Geo. C. James.

Griffins township—Geo. P. Roberson, S. E. Manning, Hugh Coltrin, Ira F. Griffin.

Bear Grass township—Dennis fine Bear Grass—Dennis Bailey. Williamston township—B. F. Perry, Robersonville township—R. S. Everett, E. R. Carson, Jasper Johnson, J. R. Daniel.

Hamilton township—Asa Johnson. Goose Nest township—Ernest Bunting, L. K. Brown and J. R. Rawls.

Second Week Jamesville township—Levin Ange, S. H. Mobley, Luther Hardison, R. L. Stallings.

Griffins—Jas. H. Revels, C. W. Gurkin, H. L. Manning, P. E. Getsinger. Williamston township—Ira Rogerson, J. H. Britt, Geo. D. Grimes.

Cross Roads—W. F. Crawford, J. T. Beach, J. P. Harris. Robersonville township—T. J. Roberson, Vance L. Roberson.

Hamilton township—J. B. Everett. Goose Nest township—H. J. Etheridge.

Children's Service Sunday At the Christian Church

The order of the series of sermons on the "Call of Jesus" will be changed this Sunday, the sermon being in the morning instead of the evening. The morning sermon, "Jesus and Children" will be given in story form, and the parents are urged to have their children at the morning service.

Tonight the Christian Endeavor will start a four month contest which will culminate in a trip to Virginia Beach on July 4 for the winners.

Services for Sunday are as follows: 9:45 Sunday School. 11:00 Worship Service "Jesus and Children".

6:30 Christian Endeavor. 7:30 Evening worship service. Topic: "The Place of the Church in the Community."

QUESTION BOX

Q. When was the first agricultural fair held in Martin county?
Q. Where was the first agricultural fair held in Martin county?
Q. What was the assessed property valuation in Martin county?
Q. What was the estimated property valuation in Martin county?
Q. What is Martin county's bonded debt?

Passage of General Sales Tax Expected Soon in Legislature

71ST CONGRESS ENDS SESSION

Senate Filibusters While House and People Shout

The Senate filibustered and the House shouted and the people joined the House when the 71st Congress adjourned at noon last Wednesday and went home. In the din of the merriment, however, there lurked sadness, for more than 40 Republicans will not be back next term, and then too, there are old-timers in the Democratic party ranks who will not return.

Some are going voluntarily, some by verdict of the voters, some for all time and others to make comeback efforts by and by.

In the passing of Senator Simmons, who was defeated in the last election primary, the Senate loses its dean in point of service. He had served continuously since March 4, 1901. He is 77 years of age.

In the House, most of those going out were first timers who came in on the Hoover landslide of 1928, among them Jonas, Republican, North Carolina.

After all, the session has been a valuable one, some good and no good having resulted. The drought sufferers were remembered, even though they had to get parched before attention was given them; the vets were pacified on a 50-50 basis; the Muscle Shoals bill was vetoed.

National peace is now assured until next December when Congress reconvenes for a long session.

INSTRUCTION AIDS MEMBER

Ange Town Club Woman Makes and Sells Baskets

By LORA E. SLEEPER (Martin Home Agent)

Mrs. Bertha Ange of the Home Demonstration club in Ange Town reported at the regular club meeting held at Mrs. Callie Ange's, Thursday, that several home-made baskets had been sold by her.

More than a year ago instruction was given in this community in basketry. Reed was used for the first meeting but the baskets sold by Mrs. Ange were made from the much despised honeysuckle vine which grows in abundance about her place. Directions for preparing honeysuckle vine for baskets were given out by the Home Agent, Miss Lora E. Sleeper, and the result was a financial gain for this woman.

Miss Betty Cooper also a Home Demonstration club member in Ange Town. She has orders for nine baskets all honey suckle and she receives .35 each. Pin money from even a despised honeysuckle vine is useful and helpful. The vines are gathered very early in the spring. The time necessary to gather and prepare vines and complete a basket is from 20 to 30 minutes.

Mrs. C. H. Ange and Mrs. Callie Ange of the Ange Town Woman's Club reported at their regular meeting held yesterday afternoon that they were preparing cold frames for vegetables only. Mrs. C. H. Ange reported planting five new vegetables in the cold frame, salsify carrots, cauliflower, tendergreen and mustard. Instruction for building cold frames and hot beds was given by Miss Sleeper at the February meeting, at that time stressing the financial advantage of the vegetables raised early.

Mrs. Willie Ann Lawrence Dies in Dardens Wednesday

Mrs. Willie Ann Lawrence, of Bertie county, died at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Coffield, in Dardens Wednesday noon following a several days illness of influenza.

Mrs. Lawrence, the widow of the late Jerry M. Lawrence, of Merry Hill, Bertie county, was visiting her daughter in Dardens when she fell ill several days ago. She was born in Bertie county February 5, 1860, and is survived by one brother, John Williams, of Plymouth, and several children.

The funeral was held in the Merry Hill Baptist Church yesterday afternoon by Rev. A. Corey, of Jamesville. Interment was made in the family burial plot in Bertie county.

Two Preaching Services at Methodist Church Sunday

Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Epworth League Monday 7:30. Hi-League Tuesday 7:30. Mid Week Wednesday 7:30. Boy's and Girl's Club age 5 to 12 Tuesday afternoon 4:00 o'clock.

FARMER'S LICENSE

A bill to create the State Board of Farmers Examiners, and to require any farmer, dairyman or tiller of the soil to pass an examination, pay a \$50 fee and be licensed before "practicing" farming in the State—the most ironical bill of the session—was introduced in the Senate by Senator McLean of Polk county last week.

This and past legislatures have already passed similar laws for barbers, plumbers, undertakers and many other trades and professions, said Senator Polk in an impassioned speech for his bill. "If this is a cure-all for them it may solve the farming problem," he declared.

The bill went to the committee on agriculture.

NEW B. & L. SERIES OPENS SATURDAY

Local Association Has Enjoyed a Continuous Growth

The 28 series of the Martin County Building and Loan association will open Saturday, March 7th, and the officers of this organization are planning an active drive for new business this series.

The demand for Building and Loan stock has been on the increase here for the last two or three years with the association showing a steady and consistent increase. The number of people using it merely as a means of investment is very large, and these savers are aiding greatly the continued progress in the county's Building and Loan Association.

The small accounts are as welcome as the larger ones, and every one is asked to investigate the method of saving and subscribe in the present series. The new series will open Saturday and will remain open for ninety days.

LARGE CROWD AT STORE OPENING

Clark's New Drug Store Has House Warming Here Last Night

Approximately 300 people attended the formal opening of the new and modern-equipped Clark drug store here last evening. Working night and day, the owners and their employees completed their store arrangements only a short while before the time set for the opening. The crowd started increasing about 7:15 at 7:30 there was a long line formed by those who were anxious to sample the free samples and see the new store.

In twenty minutes the clerk dished out seven gallons of ice-cream. Two hundred cigars were given out almost as quickly, and the large supply of these sandwiches ran out after 350 had been served. Three hundred boxes of candy were passed out, the clerks getting their first opportunity of a long breath hours after the doors were formally opened.

The Clark Drug Store, operated for many years in the building next to the one occupied by the Branch Banking and Trust company, will be continued as a soda and sundry shop with Mr. H. M. Clark, manager. Mr. C. B. Clark, senior member in the firm, will be in active charge of the new store located in the building adjoining the Watts theatre.

Mrs. L. P. Hornthal Dies at Plymouth Home Today

Mrs. Florence Harlee Hornthal died at her home in Plymouth early this morning following an illness of about three weeks. Her husband, Louis P. Hornthal, preceded her to the grave only a few weeks ago.

Mrs. Hornthal, 59 years old, was born in Suffolk where she received her early education. Following her marriage, she and Mr. Hornthal made their home in Plymouth where she has since resided.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon. Burial will be in the Grace Episcopal Churchyard beside the body of her husband.

Sunday Services at the Local Episcopal Church

Rev. Arthur H. Marshall, rector of the local Episcopal Church, announced yesterday the following services for the local church: Sunday school, 10:00 o'clock. Morning prayer and sermon, 11:00 o'clock. Young Peoples' Service League, 7 o'clock.

SMITH SUBMITS TWO NEW BILLS IN THE HOUSE

House Passes Bill Requiring Counties to Reflect Savings in Tax Levy

TO MERGE COLLEGES

Members of House Frown Upon A Cut In Their Salaries As Advanced in Bill Yesterday

The march in the legislature toward a sales tax is progressing about as slowly as did Grant and his armies on Richmond. He finally succeeded, and activities in the General Assembly this week indicate that the law-makers are nearing their goal. Four or five bills have been introduced, but latest developments indicate that one of a more general nature will be railroaded through here long.

Back home, the landowners consider the fight won. They are assured of tax relief, and as they have already been drained by past tax levies, they are viewing with the ease the machinery bill that will provide the revenue for the maintenance of the schools.

Representative J. C. Smith, of Robersonville introduced two bills, one county-wide and a second strictly of local interest, in the House of Representatives this week. No copies of the two bills are available here at the present time, and their full nature is not known. The bills as introduced by Representative Smith, followed:

"To amend law protecting rights of tenants and merchants making advances under agricultural liens.

"To provide for payment of all road bonds of Robersonville township."

Among the house bills passed this week is one that has to do with the preparation of warehouse checks. The bill will require all warehouse checks to be made to order. The definite purpose of the measure is not known, but it is believed it was passed in an effort to have checks written by warehousemen delivered to the right parties.

Real action is expected in the session today and tonight as committees have agreed to consider the revenue bill without further hearings of any kind.

Without a dissenting vote the House last night voted to merge the present State University, N. C. State College and N. C. College for Women at Greensboro, into "The University of North Carolina."

The bill, one of the series advocated by Governor Gardner in State Government reform program, now goes to the Senate for final action before becoming law.

It provides that beginning with the next school session the three institutions of North Carolina, although the three will continue to operate as separate plants and under separate managements, retaining individual endowments and loan funds.

The Senate yesterday passed a bill to reduce the North Carolina working week from 60 to 55 hours, a measure sponsored by the textile interests as well as those interested in welfare legislation.

The fight on the bill centered around the fact that it, like the present law, allows a male over 18 to make a written contract to work longer than 55 hours, a similar provision, with regard to men over 21, being included in the present 60 hour law.

The House of Representatives arose in wrath yesterday and howled down a salary reduction measure.

Through the thunder of opposition only two favorable voices penetrated distinctly.

They belonged to Representative Ed Flannagan, of Pitt, who introduced the resolution and Representative A. C. Gay, of Northampton, who seconded the motion of its immediate passage.

The salaries in question were those of the Representatives themselves. The amount of the cut would have been 20 per cent.

The House perked up when the Reading Clerk crooned:

"House Resolution No. 858, introduced by Mr. Flannagan, of Pitt. Joint resolution calling on members of the General Assembly to accept a voluntary horizontal cut of 20 per cent of salaries paid them."

"What about those who have already spent theirs?" inquired Sutton, of Lenoir.

"Refund 20 per cent. We're talking about cutting everybody else's salaries. I don't see why we should object to taking a cut ourselves," retorted Mr. Flannagan.

"We're going to take a bigger cut than that by staying here and working for nothing," interposed Davis, of Hyde.

"A 100 per cent cut after Saturday." (Continued on page four)